Claims

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. Packing material comprising:

an expansive graphite tape is mounted on one or both sides of plain state carbon fiber to make a first laminated tape, and it is twisted to be a filament, and

to make a second laminated tape, an expansive graphite sheet is mounted on one or both sides of a reinforcing material comprising plural reinforcing fibers or reinforcing wires aligned in approximately parallel each other or a reinforcing material which a woven is cut into a strip, and

said second laminating tape is wound around said filament.

- 2. The packing material described in claim 1, wherein to make a third laminated tape, the expansive graphite tape is mounted on one or both sides of the plain state carbon fiber, and instead of said second laminated tape, the third laminated tape is wound around said filament.
- 3. The packing material described in claim 1, wherein the filament is made by twisting the first laminated tape so that a reinforcing core is covered with the first laminated tape.
- 4. The packing material described in claim 2, wherein the filament is

made by twisting the first laminated tape so that a reinforcing core is covered with the first laminated tape.

- 5. A gland packing made into a predetermined shape by pressing a braided material comprising the braided packing material described in claim 1.
- 6. A gland packing made into a predetermined shape by pressing a braided material comprising the braided packing material described in claim 2.
- 7. A gland packing made into a predetermined shape by pressing a braided material comprising the braided packing material described in claim 3.
- 8. A gland packing made into a predetermined shape by pressing a braided material comprising the braided packing material described in claim 4.